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dealing with adoption is included in the committee amendments. You'll find it as LB 1079 on your computer. What it does is deal with a very small technical matter that dealt with the court case that determined that when you have an adoption proceeding that you have to, when you file the petition, the adoption petition, you need to have the parental consents for termination and the preplacement adoptive home studies attached when it's filed. And if it isn't, then the county court, under this court decision, has a jurisdictional problem, and this is causing some particular problems in our rural areas of the state. So now what it says is, those consents and home studies have to be filed prior to the hearing, which gives a lead time of between four and eight weeks. It's a little flexibility that will help process these. It doesn't lose any of what needs to be done, but I think that it will deal with the problem that has come to our attention. With that, I would be happy to answer any questions on the committee amendments. I would ask for their adoption, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wesely, your light is the next one on. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I have talked to Senator Matzke about the amendments, and he and I, yesterday, were trying to correlate what the committee amendments, in the white copy, will do with what was in the green copy, because that's where he had written his notes, as I have often done on a bill. So this bill, having as many provisions as it does, is beyond my grasp right now, but I have a few questions I would like to present to Senator Wesely on the committee amendments. Senator Wesely, when they talk about reasonable efforts, in order that we can get that into the record, to reunify or preserve the family, what is meant by reasonable efforts?

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wesely, would you respond?

SENATOR WESELY: I will try and get the exact language, Senator Chambers, but that does get changed under this legislation. I don't know that the committee amendments makes that change, I think it's in the underlying bill. But it does make a significant change, and it is a very worthy question for you to